



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q57991

Tohru HOTTA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/512,313

Group Art Unit: 2828

Confirmation No.: 5777

Examiner: Tuan N. NGUYEN

Filed: February 24, 2000

For: OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of October 6, 2003 to March 8, 2004 (March 6, 2004, being a Saturday).

A check for the statutory fee of \$420.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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